

REMARKS

Applicant has received an Office Action dated June 15, 2006 and a Supplemental Office Action dated August 9, 2006. Although this reply is believed to be fully responsive to both Office Actions, Applicant believes that the Supplemental Office Action superceded the June 15, 2006 Office Action.

Claims 1-16, stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by US Patent No. 6,715,003 (*Safai*). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

There are three independent claims in this case, 1, 11, and 15. All of these claims have been amended. Claim 1 is directed to a print control file and claim 11 is directed to an email control file. The same arguments apply to both claims 1 and 11.

As amended, claim 1 provides a computer separate from the imaging device. The computer receives and stores a print control file and images produced by the imaging device. The computer then responding to the control file, creates and displays a list of printing tasks. The user is enabled to select at least one of the printing tasks and the computer initiates the printing of images based on the selected task(s).

Safai discloses a digital camera which includes a user interface, enabling captured images that have been stored in the digital camera, to be transferred over a network to a service provider where the images can be printed and delivered to receiving parties. In addition, the user interface allows the emailing of images over the network. Safai also discloses that the camera can be connected to a personal computer which can print the stored images.

However, there are significant differences between the method disclosed in claim 1 and Safai. Safai discloses that the digital camera which captured the images can also be used to select images for printing or emailing. Safai does not disclose that a print control file or an email control file can be transferred from the digital camera to a separate computer and displayed by the separate computer to enable a user to select a printing task or an email task. Rather, Safai discloses that the creation and display of printing and emailing selections is done only by the digital camera. The Examiner's position is that Safai can be broadly interpreted to be adapted for use on a personal computer. However, there is no teaching or suggestion in Safai that a print control file or an

email control file is created on a first device such as a digital camera, and then displayed on a second device, such as a separate computer. In claim 1, in response to the print control file transferred from the digital camera, the user selects tasks using the separate computer. Therefore, applicant believes that there would be no motivation or suggestion from Safai for the subject matter of claims 1 and 11.

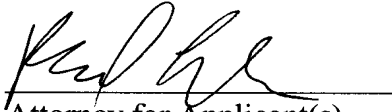
Turning now to claim 15, similar arguments made for claim 1 also apply to claim 15. In claim 15, a digital camera produces a first print control file. The computer responds to the first print control file to produce a to do list. The to do list indicates at least one printing task that can be performed at a future time selectable by the computer user. Based upon the above discussion, it should now be clear that Safai does not disclose or suggest the subject matter of claim 15.

The remaining claims are all dependent upon one of the independent claims and should be allowed along with their corresponding independent claim.

It is believed that these changes now make the claims clear and definite and, if there were any problems with these changes, Applicants' attorney would appreciate a telephone call.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that none of the references, taken singly or in combination, disclose the claimed invention. Accordingly, this application is believed to be in condition for allowance, the notice of which is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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